Clifton Springs,
Sept. 20, 1887.

My dear May,

Yours of yesterday finds us still here. I have mailed to Mr. Howland without hesitation the letters received by me in response to my review. They will make a good showing, with such as you may be able to furnish.

I return Howland's letter and list of names. In regard to the latter, I agree entirely with what you say.

Old Father Spooner had better content himself with the fame derived from his signature on the Greenbacks. As

an anti-slavery historian he will never shine. His statements are too vague to be of much service to Hayes. They only serve to reveal his own ignorance and prejudice.

So I am much better than I was a week ago. that I am full encouragement as to my health. I may at last "rejoice with fear and trembling."

I postpone a word on politics till I get home. You and I differ only in our estimate of Blaine, and on that subject I have not

time to speak now.

Yours, always,

Oliver Johnson.

Mrs. Worcester and her sister Mrs. Lambert desire to be cordially remembered to you.

I wish the review might be sent to <u>all</u> the names on Howland's list, save Bacon's and Hale's.

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